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And Geographic Origin Of An Unknown Bioagent Thereby

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 18, 2002 in connection with  
the above-identified patent application, Applicants request that the application be amended as  
follows.

In the Specification:

At page 34, after the last line of text, insert the following table:

--Table 8

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<i>E. coli</i>	AUGU-CUGGGA-AACUGCCUGAUGG<----->AGG-GGGAUAACUACU-G (GA-AA)
<i>Hom. Sapien</i>	AUC-AGUUAUGGUU-CCUUGGUCG<CUCGCUCUCUCCU>ACU-UGGAUAACUGUG-G (UAAUU)
<i>mt. H sapien</i>	CAC-CCUCUA-AAUC-----<----->-----